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SUBJECT: ECS – FY2003 Grazing Lands Activities Report

<u>Purpose</u>: To provide guidance concerning the grazing lands activities yearly report.

Expiration Date: September 30, 2004

ACTION NEEDED BY OCTOBER 10, 2003

The Grazing Lands Conservation Initiative (GLCI) process has been working well in Oklahoma since it started in 1996. We have 13 new grazing specialists, increased producer educational workshops and training for NRCS employees, and increased public awareness of grazing lands. The Oklahoma Grazing Lands Conservation Association (OGLCA) provides opportunities and funding for projects and demonstrations, producer education and public awareness activities.

Each year, NRCS provides a report on grazing lands activities and the status of the GLCI in each state. Much of the information to support this report can be determined from reporting, but it is hard to keep up with all the activities of each field office and/or district.

The activities listed in the report, along with increased availability and quality of technical assistance and increased research, are the types of activities that the GLCI process and the OGLCA are promoting in order to improve our grazing lands. Every field office is encouraged to identify the needs of the grazing lands resources, the managers of these lands, and the general public in your county, and develop activities that provide information and education and improve/increase the technical assistance provided.

Therefore each field office is being asked to complete the report by going to http://intranet.ok.nrcs.usda.gov/, click on Ecological Sciences, and then click on *FY2003 Grazing Lands Activities Report*. After filling out the report, click on 'Submit'. The report will automatically be sent to Steve Glasgow, GLCI Coordinator located at the Claremore Technical Service Office. If there are any questions about the report, contact Steve Glasgow at <a href="mailto:steve-nt-steve-

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